



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final RULES COMMITTEE

Mike Shambaugh, Chair

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Thursday, August 25, 2022

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shambaugh called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Shotpouch gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Coates attended remotely.

Present 15 - Wes Nofire; Daryl Legg; Shawn Crittenden; Dora Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Keith Austin; Julia Coates; Johnny Kidwell; Candessa Tehee; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Mike Shambaugh and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 2 - Rex Jordan and Danny Callison

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Tehee moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Marshal Service - Shannon Buhl

Marshal Mike Roach offered to answer questions from the report submitted by Marshal Buhl. He provided an update on the hiring of new marshals. Chair Shambaugh inquired if they have enough vehicles for the new marshals. Councilor Vazquez inquired about Marshal coverage in northern Vinita and Craig counties.

Office of the Attorney General - Sara Hill

Ms. Nimmo reported for A.G. Hill. She reported they filed a brief in the Brackeen case. Ms. Nimmo provided a staffing update as well as an update on other open court cases of interest. She offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Coates

requested clarification as to which Native American Congressmen signed off on the Brackeen brief. Councilor Nofire requested clarification on the ticketing of a Native American on a UTV. Chair Shambaugh requested clarification that the State of Oklahoma isn't supporting the Brackeen brief.

FOIA-GRA - Gwen Terrapin

Ms. Terrapin gave an update on the FOIA and GRA requests and the website.

Tax Commission - Sharon Swepston

Ms. Swepston reported on the ribbon cutting for the new Catoosa office. She provided an update on both the Stilwell and Adair offices. Chair Shambaugh inquired about staffing at the Jay office.

Gaming Commission - Janice Purcell

Ms. Purcell offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Human Resources - Samantha Hendricks

Ms. Hendricks offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Tehee requested clarifications on the exit interview process and the learning portal. Councilor Dobbins inquired about performing surveys for the health care providers.

OLD BUSINESS

1. [22-048](#) A LEGISLATIVE ACT CREATING TITLE 21, SECTION 1835.2 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED - RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY
Councilor Legg moved to table to the next month's meeting. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Shambaugh stated new business items 1 and 2 will need to be tabled for not having five sponsors.

1. [22-065](#) A RESOLUTION ELECTING _____ TO THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL
Councilor Austin made a motion to table to obtain additional sponsors. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. Councilor Nofire requested clarification on the rules for requiring five sponsors on agenda items. Councilor Tehee inquired if the sponsors needed could be obtained today. The motion carried.
2. [22-066](#) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING A TRIBAL COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO FILL THE BOARD MEMBER SEAT OF THE CHEROKEE NATION SEQUOYAH HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
Councilor Vazquez made a motion to table to the next meeting to obtain five sponsors. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. Councilor Coates stated procedurally these items should be withdrawn instead of being tabled. Council Attorney Young

agreed with Councilor Coates.

22-065

A RESOLUTION ELECTING _____ TO THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL

Councilor Coates moved to reconsider the vote on new business item #1. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Councilor Austin made a motion to withdraw. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. 22-066

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING A TRIBAL COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO FILL THE BOARD MEMBER SEAT OF THE CHEROKEE NATION SEQUOYAH HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Councilor Austin made a motion to withdraw. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion. Councilor Tehee inquired if this would reopen the nominations. The motion carried.

3. 22-067

THE CAREER READINESS ACT OF 2019, 2022 AMENDMENTS

Councilor Legg made a motion to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. Councilor Patzkowski offered a friendly amendment on behalf of the Administration to change the acreage referred to in the resolution from two acres to twenty-four acres in section 2B. All Councilors requested to be added as sponsors. The friendly was accepted. The motion to approve carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Austin requested prayers for the family of an Osage County Deputy.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Crittenden moved to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:48 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Mike Roach</i>	<i>Chrissi Nimmo</i>	<i>Diane Kelley</i>
<i>Gwen Terrapin</i>	<i>Samantha Hendricks</i>	<i>Taralee Montgomery</i>
<i>Sharon Swepston</i>	<i>Chuck Hoskin Jr.</i>	<i>Janees Taylor</i>
<i>Corey Bunch</i>	<i>Janice Purcell</i>	

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Michelle Graham</i>	<i>Whitney Warrior</i>	<i>Ryan Sierra</i>
<i>Teddye Snell</i>	<i>John Young</i>	